

HOUSE BILL 1744

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 50; Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 7; Title 49, Chapter 7; Title 49, Chapter 8 and Title 67, and to enact the "Visual Content Act of 2007".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Visual Content Act of 2007".

SECTION 2. The board of regents shall develop a technical film making course of study to be implemented at least one (1) community college in each grand division of the state. In developing such program, the board shall consult with Tennessee film, entertainment and music commission and industry representatives to determine the best objectives and curriculum for such program. It is the intent of the general assembly that a course in such aspect of film making be offered in at least one (1) community college during fall semester 2007, in at least two (2) community colleges during spring semester 2008 and in at least three (3) community colleges during fall semester 2008.

SECTION 3. The commissioner of the department of economic and community development shall study the potential economic impact of recruiting and the potential relocation of video game industry companies to Tennessee. Such study shall be conducted in consultation with the Tennessee film, entertainment and music commission. Any recommendations shall be reported to the chairs of the senate and house finance, ways and means committees prior to February 14, 2008.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.